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American HomePatient Wins APEX Awards of Excellence

NASHVILLE, TN – July 26, 2004 - **American HomePatient, Inc.**, an industry leader in home respiratory services and durable medical equipment, has received two APEX 2004 Awards of Excellence in the Website and Calendar categories for its work on www.ahom.com and its 2004 Products/Services Calendar.

“It’s a tremendous honor to be recognized in this manner,” stated Joe Furlong, President and CEO of American HomePatient. “We’re also very proud of the fact that all of our marketing initiatives are developed in-house. In a highly regulated industry, where the content of our material may need to change at any time in order to comply with regulations, our ‘internal agency’ lets us manage costs while ensuring swift turnaround and a high-quality product.”

APEX 2004—the 16th Annual Awards for Publication Excellence—is an international competition that recognizes publications based on excellence in graphic design, quality of editorial content and the success of the entry in conveying the message and achieving overall communications effectiveness. The APEX Awards are sponsored by Communications Concepts, Inc., publishers of business communication reports that include [*Writing That Works*](#), a subscription monthly for professional communicators, and special reports on topics such as [*Writing for the WEB*](#).

American HomePatient, Inc. is one of the nation's largest diversified home health care providers. Founded in 1983, it supplies home medical products and services through more than 280 centers across the United States. Its extensive offerings include respiratory therapies; enteral and parental nutrition services; mobility equipment and related medical supplies; infusion services; respiratory diagnostic equipment; and disease intervention programs for patients in the home environment. American HomePatient's common stock is currently traded over-the-counter under the symbol **AHOM**.